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PASS STR ELECTRONICALLY FOR WOLFF AND STEWART

EB FOR BARRACLOUGH

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: GATT, ETRD
SUBJECT: GATT CONSULTATIVE GROUP OF 18

REFERENCE: STATE 303161

1. LOCAL DELS MET DEC 21 TO DISCUSS AGENDA AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING OF CG-18. DELS RELUCTANTLY AGREED TO POSTPONE-
MENT REQUESTED BY US AND NEW DATE NOW SET FOR FEB 21-22. SEVERAL DELS STATED THAT THEY HAD ALREADY BLOCKED OUT THE EARLIER DATES BUT WOULD ACCEPT FEB 21-22 DATES IF IT MEANT THAT US WOULD BE REPRESENTED AT A SUFFICIENTLY HIGH LEVEL TO ASSURE MEANINGFUL DISCUSSIONS IN THE GROUP. AFTER MEETING DG LONG EXPRESSED HIS CONCERN THAT US HAD ONCE AGAIN SOUGHT POSTPONEMENT OF MEETING AND HE URGED THAT WOLFF AND BARRACLOUGH ATTEND FEB 21-22 MEETING.

2. AGENDA WILL BE THE SAME AS AT THE LAST MEETING WITH THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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EXCEPTION THAT THE AUSTRALIAN ITEM ON AGRICULTURE WILL NOT RPT NOT BE ON THE AGENDA. AUSTRALIANS INDICATED THAT THEY WILL AWAIT OUTCOME OF MTN BEFORE ADDING AGRICULTURAL ITEM TO AGENDA. AGENDA ITEMS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

(A) RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN TRADE POLICIES AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE. DG LONG SAID THAT THIS ITEM SHOULD

FOCUS ON THE ROLE OF GATT IN COMBATING PROTECTIONIST TENDENCIES. WE INDICATED THAT GATT STUDY ON PROTECTIONISM AND LIBERALIZATION COULD SERVE AS THE BACKDROP FOR THIS DISCUSSION AND THAT WE HOPED OTHER DELS WOULD BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS THE STUDY. LONG ALSO SAID THAT HE WOULD BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS THE SECRETARIAT'S PROPOSED MONITORING SYSTEM UNDER THIS ITEM.

(B) TRADE MEASURES TAKEN FOR BOP REASONS. LONG AGAIN EMPHASIZED PROCEDURES AND RULES PERTAINING TO TRADE MEASURES TAKEN FOR BOP REASONS BY DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. WE SAID THAT DELS SHOULD ALSO BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS THE RULES AND PROCEDURES PERTAINING TO TRADE MEASURES TAKEN BY DEVELOPED COUNTRIES.

(C) THE INTERNATIONAL TRADING SYSTEM AND THE ROLE OF GATT--THE EC (LUYTEN) SOUGHT CONFIRMATION THAT DISPUTE SETTLEMENT WOULD AGAIN BE DISCUSSED UNDER THIS ITEM.

(D) DEFINITIVE APPLICATION OF THE GENERAL AGREEMENT. THE EC ASKED THAT THIS ITEM BE KEPT ON THE AGENDA.

(E) OTHER BUSINESS. VANDEN HEUVEL

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